

SIEC Advisory Working (SAW) Group Minutes
Wednesday, October 27, 2004

Present:

Clark Palmer, WSP
Dennis Hausman, DIS
Donna Wells, DIS
Scott Bream, DIS
Marc Johnson, DNR
Sgt. John McIntosh, WDFW
Guy Cranor, OSP
Don Miller, EMD
Fred Radovich, Motorola
John Murray, Federal Engineering
Skip Funk, Federal Engineering
Dana Little, WSDOT (minutes)

Introductions

Everyone present introduced himself or herself.

Approval of Minutes

The meeting minutes from 10/13/04 were reviewed and approved after one correction and the corrected copy forwarded to Clark Palmer for re-posting to the website.

Technical Frequency Management Work Group Report

- There was no reporting on the activities of the Technical Work Group meeting of 10-27 due to the fact the Saw Group meeting preceded the Technical Work Group meeting this week; the reporting of the 10-27 Technical Group meeting will occur at the next SAW Group meeting.

Federal Engineering

- John Murray (Federal Engineering) handed out a “High Level Final Statewide Public Safety Communications Interoperability Plan Outline”.
- There will be a written draft on 11/10 and a second draft on 11/29.
- Feedback was asked for and discussed on the plan outline.
 - It was mentioned that there should be a definition of “interoperability” (define the problem)
 - Gaps in input were discussed such as tribal issues.
 - John mentioned that there would be comments in the draft on the constraints of the SIEC and will come up with recommendations.

- Discussion occurred on the “goals and benchmarks” section of the outline in regards that the draft should include governance, funding, technological, and implementation, as well as references to Amendment 18 to Section 40 of Article 2 (Transportation Funding).

Unlicensed Radio Spectrum

- Dennis recapped the unlicensed spectrum status.
- A motion was approved by the group that the Risk/Severity Matrix will meet and keep with those requirements for review and do not need to change/review the scope of the SIEC responsibilities.

FOPIC committee review

- Sgt. McIntosh reviewed the activities of the first FOPIC meeting that was held on 10/16/2004.
- One of the major points brought up was that ODOT is licensed for OSCCR in Skamania County, and this presents somewhat of a problem.
- A motion was made and approved to have a project complete for the end of January SAW Group meeting, then after SAW review for forwarding to the SIEC.

Miscellaneous

- The agenda topic of “Standards/Best Practices for Radio Towers” was tabled, as Dan Johnson was not available.
- The agenda topic of “WSDOT Ferry Project” was tabled, as Alan Hull was not available.

The next SIEC SAW Group meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2004 at DIS from 1:30-3:30 PM.